TENTH DAY.

Saturday, 11th October 1941.

The House reassembled at the Jagan Mohan Palace Pavilion on Saturday, 11th October 1941, at 12 of the clock, Mr. President (*Rajamantrapravina* N. Madhava Rau, B.A., B.L., Dewan) in the Chair.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS—*contd.*

Coffee Experimental Station at Balehonnur.

Q.—87. **Mr. B. M. ANNE GOWDA** (Mudgere—Rural).—Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the amount spent every year in detail on the Coffee Experimental Station at Balehonnur and the amount spent in starting the centre ;

(*b*) (i) whether there are any other experimental centres in the State ;

(ii) when they were started ; the experiments that have been successfully conducted in these experimental stations ever since they were started ; the experiments that are now being conducted in every one of these centres ;

(*c*) (i) the amount spent every year on these experimental stations and the amount spent in starting these stations ;

(ii) whether they are contemplating the starting of any other experimental station, and if so, its details ?

A.—**The SECRETARY to GOVERNMENT, GENERAL DEPARTMENT (Mr. J. Appaji Gowda).**—

(*a*) The gross annual recurring expenditure for running the Experimental Farm is as follows :—

		Rs.			Rs.
Establishment	...	8,476	Contingencies	...	3,000
Labour	...	9,000	Sprayers and Chemicals	...	1,800
Seeds and manures	...	3,000	Other items	...	2,900

This does not take into account non-recurring expenditure.

The amount spent in starting the station was Rs. 7,560. An additional expenditure of Rs. 21,000 was incurred in 1931 by the purchase of an estate of 100 acres which was added to the station.

(*b*) (i) The answer is in the affirmative.

(ii) *Vide* Annexure.

(*c*) (i)—	*Stations.*	*Cost of starting the station.* Rs.	*Net annual expenditure.* Rs.
1.	Hebbal Agricultural School Farm...	Not readily available at this distance of time.	13,000
2.	Babbur Farm ...	29,433	10,300
3.	Nagenahalli Paddy Breeding Station	25,000	4,200
4.	Irwin Canal Farm ...	1,52,563	24,600
5.	Bikkali Station ...	3,000	2,800
6.	Anjanapur Farm ...	2,091	5,000

(ii) None at present.

Mr. B. M. ANNE GOWDA.—With reference to answer (*a*), does the expenditure form part of the general budget ?

Mr. J. APPAJI GOWDA.—There is a separate budget for it.

Mr. B. M. ANNE GOWDA.—It is stated that 100 acres of land was purchased for Rs. 21,000 to add to the farm. Was it an estate with coffee plants or was it banjar land ?

Mr. J. APPAJI GOWDA.—Information on that point is not readily available.

Mr. M. ABDUL AZIZ.—With reference to answer (*b*) (ii), has any benefit accrued to the raiyats from the experiments carried on in the different farms?

Mr. J. APPAJI GOWDA.—Certainly.

Mr. M. ABDUL AZIZ.—The extent of the Balehonnur Farm is stated to be 135 acres. Is it inclusive of the 100 acres purchased subsequently?

Mr. J. APPAJI GOWDA.—Yes.

Mr. M. ABDUL AZIZ.—Then what was its original extent?

Mr. J. APPAJI GOWDA.—35 acres.

Mr. M. ABDUL AZIZ.—The expenditure on labour is Rs 9,000. Is it necessary to spend very nearly the same amount on establishment?

Mr. J. APPAJI GOWDA.—This being a research or experimental concern, sufficient establishment has to be maintained.

Mr. M. ABDUL AZIZ.—What are the details of the staff and the salaries paid to them?

Mr. J. APPAJI GOWDA.—These are the details :—

	Rs.
Manager ...	120
Assistant Manager	70-5-100
1 Clerk ...	50
1 Genetist ...	70-5-100
Mechanic ...	45
Junior Assistant Entomologist ...	70-5-100
Laboratory Assistant ...	30-2-40
Fitter ...	40
Stores Clerk ...	40
Fieldman ...	30-2-40
Grafter ...	30-2-40

Mr. M. ABDUL AZIZ.—Are so many officers necessary?

Mr. J. APPAJI GOWDA.—Certainly; otherwise they would not have been kept on.

Mr. M. ABDUL AZIZ.—There is a provision of Rs. 3,000 for seeds and manure. Why do they want seeds?

Mr. J. APPAJI GOWDA.—They are required for experiments in the nurseries for growing cardamoms, cloves, etc.

Mr. M. ABDUL AZIZ.—Is such a large sum as Rs. 3,000 needed for contingencies?

Mr. J. APPAJI GOWDA.—I understand it includes cost of furniture, implements, laboratory apparatus, etc.

Mr. M. ABDUL AZIZ.—What are the details for "Other items" for which an amount of Rs. 2,900 is provided?

Mr. J. APPAJI GOWDA.—Details are not readily available here.

Mr. Muktesar Patel DYAVAPPA GOWDA.—Is all the income from coffee cess being spent on this farm?

Mr. J. APPAJI GOWDA.—Yes.

Mr. Muktesar Patel DYAVAPPA GOWDA.—What is the income?

Mr. J. APPAJI GOWDA.—About Rs. 17,000.

Mr. Muktesar Patel DYAVAPPA GOWDA.—But the expenditure is nearly Rs. 29,000. How is the difference met?

Mr. J. APPAJI GOWDA.—Government give a grant equivalent to the cess income.

Mr. Muktesar Patel DYAVAPPA GOWDA.—How is the surplus amount spent?

Mr. J. APPAJI GOWDA.—It is spent for work on the farm according to necessity.

Mr. Muktesar Patel DYAVAPPA GOWDA.—Apart from 135 acres, have they arranged for the cultivation of any additional area?

Mr. J. APPAJI GOWDA.—No.

Mr. Muktesar Patel DYAVAPPA GOWDA.—Can they not extend cultivation?

Mr. J. APPAJI GOWDA.—Let us await the result of the experiments already taken on hand.

Mr. Muktesar Patel DYAVAPPA GOWDA.—What has been the annual income from this station?

Mr. J. APPAJI GOWDA.—It varies from Rs. 7,000 to Rs. 10,000.

Mr. Muktesar Patel DYAVAPPA GOWDA.—After deducting the expenditure?

Mr. J. APPAJI GOWDA.—No, it is the gross.

Mr. Muktesar Patel DYAVAPPA GOWDA.—For an expenditure of Rs. 29,000 if a return of Rs. 8,000 is received, can it be called a business proposition?

Mr. J. APPAJI GOWDA.—It is not at all a business concern. It is an experimental station. The raiyats will derive considerable benefit as a result of the experiments carried on there.

Mr. Muktesar Patel DYAVAPPA GOWDA.—We have seen it all these years. It is of no use to the planters. The raiyats cannot incur expenditure and carry on work on the scale and in the manner in which the farm authorities have been doing.

Mr. K. L. NAGABHUSHANA BHATTA.—Is there any idea of starting an experimental station for improving the areca crop?

Mr. J. APPAJI GOWDA.—No.

Mr. K. L. NAGABHUSHANA BHATTA.—Are the Government aware that during the recent tour of His Highness the Maharaja in the Malnad, he was pleased to promise that such a station would be started?

Mr. J. APPAJI GOWDA.—Notice.

Mr. K. L. NAGABHUSHANA BHATTA.—Do the Government think that there is no necessity for such a station?

Mr. PRESIDENT.—That is not a supplementary question.

Mr. Alampalli NANJUNDA SETTY.—What are the crops in respect of which research is being carried on in the Babbur Farm?

Mr. J. APPAJI GOWDA.—Mainly cotton and jola.

Mr. Alampalli NANJUNDA SETTY.—What is the income derived from that farm?

Mr. J. APPAJI GOWDA.—It is about Rs. 5,000 to Rs. 6,000.

Mr. Alampalli NANJUNDA SETTY.—Are they not growing sugar-cane also?

Mr. J. APPAJI GOWDA.—Yes, in small quantities.

Mr. K. GANGA SETTY.—Government have incurred very large expenditure on buildings, etc., in the Balehonnur Farm. For whose benefit is this farm being run?

Mr. J. APPAJI GOWDA.—For the benefit of the coffee planters.

Mr. K. GANGA SETTY.—Are the Government aware that at present the price of coffee is very low?

Mr. J. APPAJI GOWDA.—That is a different question altogether.

Mr. K. GANGA SETTY.—Why not the Government continue to give the grant and abolish the cess altogether?

Mr. J. APPAJI GOWDA.—That is not a supplementary question.

Mr. M. SITHARAMA SASTRI.—Does not an experimental farm differ from an agricultural farm, because an agricultural farm may be intended to bring in revenue unlike an experimental farm?

The MINISTER for REVENUE and FINANCE (Rajamantrapravina K. V. Anantaraman).—Yes, that is so.

Mr. Bhupalam R. CHANDRASEKHARAYYA.—Why was the agricultural farm at Sagar abolished?

Mr. J. APPAJI GOWDA.—Because it was not found to be useful.

Mr. Bhupalam R. CHANDRASEKHARAYYA.—Are the Government aware that such farms are needed in many other places?

Mr. J. APPAJI GOWDA.—I cannot say off-hand.

Mr. Bhupalam R. CHANDRASEKHARAYYA.—Are they not required in all the areas served by channels?

Mr. J. APPAJI GOWDA.—That is a matter of opinion.

Mr. B. BALAKRISHNA RAO.—What was the reason for abolishing the agricultural farm at Sagar.

Mr. J. APPAJI GOWDA.—It was not found to be useful as already stated.

Mr. B. BALAKRISHNA RAO.—Was public opinion consulted before it was abolished?

Mr. J. APPAJI GOWDA.—That was not considered necessary.

Mr. B. BALAKRISHNA RAO.—For what experiment was the Bikkali Station formed?

Mr. J. APPAJI GOWDA.—For the investigation of paddy.

Mr. B. BALAKRISHNA RAO.—Why was the Marthur Farm abolished?

Mr. J. APPAJI GOWDA.—It was abolished on the recommendation of the Department.

Mr. H. A. DEVA GOWDA.—Who is in charge of the Balehonnur Farm?

Mr. J. APPAJI GOWDA.—The Assistant Director.

Mr. H. A. DEVA GOWDA.—Which is his headquarters?

Mr. J. APPAJI GOWDA.—Bangalore.

Mr. H. A. DEVA GOWDA.—Why not Chikmagalur be made his headquarters in order that the expenditure under travelling allowance may be saved?

Mr. J. APPAJI GOWDA.—He was there for a number of years. He could not be asked to remain there only for all time.

Mr. B. CHAMIAH.—With reference to answer (*c*), what is the total income from all the experimental farms together?

Mr. J. APPAJI GOWDA.—Notice.

Mr. B. CHAMIAH.—What is the area of the Nagenahalli Farm?

Mr. J. APPAJI GOWDA.—It may be about 40 acres, but I am not definite about it.

Mr. B. CHAMIAH.—Are the Government aware that the raiyats are not at all benefited by the experiments in paddy cultivation carried on there?

Mr. K. V. ANANTARAMAN.—If the member will send up his suggestions to Government, they will be considered.

Mr. B. R. PUTTANANJAPPA.—Are the Government aware that the spraying and other measures recommended by the Department for treatment of areca-crop affected by *koleroga* have not been of any benefit whatever?

Mr. K. V. ANANTARAMAN.—If a complaint is made, it will be enquired into.

Mr. S. C. MALLIAH.—On the Irwin Canal Farm a non-recurring expenditure of Rs. 1,52,563 has been incurred and the recurring expenditure is stated to be Rs. 24,600. What is the object of carrying on experiments at such a heavy cost?

Mr. J. APPAJI GOWDA.—For improving the stock of paddy, sugar-cane, tobacco, fruits, etc., grown in that area, the expenditure is certainly profitable.

Mr. S. C. MALLIAH.—Since how long are these experiments being carried on?

Mr. J. APPAJI GOWDA.—For the past 8 or 9 years.

Mr. S. C. MALLIAH.—Instead of incurring all the expenditure on one large farm in the same place, why not establish smaller farms in different places and carry on experiments on different crops in which the raiyats of each locality may be particularly interested?

Mr. K. V. ANANTARAMAN.—The suggestion will be considered.

Mr. RAMANNA GOWDA.—There are six experimental farms. Can they raise crops satisfactorily even when rains fail?

Mr. J. APPAJI GOWDA.—I leave it to the member to speculate.

Muslim and Non-Muslim Employees in Government Industrial Concerns.

Q.—92. **Mr. T. M SABJU SAB** (Kadu *cum* Tarikere *cum* Koppa *cum* Narasimharaja pura *cum* Sringeri, Mahomedan—Rural).—Will the Government be pleased to state the number of employees, Muslims and non-Muslims, in—

(i) the Mysore Iron and Steel Works,

(ii) the Mysore Cement Factory,

(iii) the Mysore State Railway Workshop?

(iv) the Mysore Porcelain Factory,

(v) the Mysore Silk Factory,

(vi) the Government Soap Factory.

A.—**The SECRETARY to GOVERNMENT, DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT (Mr. V. Vedavyasacharya).**—

Names of Concerns.	*Muslims.*	*Non-Muslims.*
(i) Mysore Iron and Steel Works.	295	3,008
(ii) Mysore Cement Factory.		
(iii) Mysore Railway Workshop.	105	1,029
(iv) Government Porcelain Factory.	38	405
(v) Government Silk Weaving Factory.	26	144
(vi) Government Soap Factory.	16	173

Mr. T. M. SABJU SAB.—Against the first two items of the answer, it is stated that there are 295 Muslim employees. Out of them, how many are labourers and how many are officials?

Mr. V. VEDAVYASACHARYA.—Notice.

Mr. T. M. SABJU SAB.—How many of these get daily wages and how many monthly pay?

Mr. V. VEDAVYASACHARYA.—There are 30 Muslims and 476 non-Muslims on monthly rates, and 265 Muslims and 2,532 non-Muslims on daily wages

Mr. T. M. SABJU SAB.—What are the minimum and maximum rates of daily wages?